

REMARKS

I. The Restriction Requirement

The Examiner required restriction in accordance with 37 CFR 1.499. Applicant is required, in reply to this action, to elect a single invention to which the claims must be restricted.

- Group I. Claim(s) 1 to 10, 14, 16, 17, 19 to 24, 38 to 46 and 49 to 51, drawn to compounds, pharmaceutical compositions, preparation thereof, intermediates and method of use.
- Group II. Claim(s) 11 to 13, drawn to method of use.
- Group III. Claim(s) 18, drawn to method of use.
- Group IV. Claim(s) 25, drawn to method of use.
- Group V. Claim(s) 26 to 28, drawn to method of use.
- Group VI. Claim(s) 29, drawn to method of use.
- Group VII. Claim(s) 30 to 31, drawn to method of use.
- Group VIII. Claim(s) 32 to 34, drawn to method of use.
- Group IX. Claim(s) 35, drawn to method of use.
- Group X. Claim(s) 36 to 37, drawn to method of use.

The compound claims were restricted as the outstanding restriction requirement indicated the inventions listed in Groups I to X do not form a single inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1, because applicant is entitled to have only one method of use examined along with the product.

Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute Group I, claims 1 to 10, 14, 16, 17, 19 to 24 and 49 to 51. In making this election, applicants understand that the process claims may be required to be amended in view of the allowed genus compound claims if the compound claims are not found allowable in their entire scope.

For the convenience of the Examiner and in order to advance the prosecution, claims to the non-elected invention have been cancelled. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications directed to the non-elected subject matter at a later date.

The election of Group I and cancellation of the non-elected claims is believed to be a full and complete response to the outstanding Restriction Requirement. Should the Examiner have any questions or wish to discuss any aspect of this case, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,



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